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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO PRIME MINISTER  
WILSON

1. EMBASSY SHOULD DELIVER TO NO. 10 FOLLOWING MESSAGE  
FROM THE SECRETARY TO PRIME MINISTER WILSON.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR HAROLD:

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF YOUR DECISION TO RETIRE AS PRIME  
MINISTER HAS LEFT ME WITH A PROFOUND SENSE OF LOSS. I  
HAVE KNOWN YOU AS LONG AS ANY POLITICAL LEADER IN THE  
WORLD EITHER IN OR OUT OF OFFICE. IN ADDITION TO THE  
PRIVILEGE OF BEING ASSOCIATED WITH YOU IN POLITICAL LIFE,  
I HAVE ALWAYS CONSIDERED YOU A PERSONAL FRIEND AS WELL  
AND HAVE HAD, THROUGHOUT THESE YEARS, TREMENDOUS RESPECT  
AND ADMIRATION FOR YOUR VISION, DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP.

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WE WILL MISS YOU.

WARMEST REGARDS,  
HENRY A. KISSINGER

3. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE, BUT HAS NO  
OBJECTION IF NO. 10 WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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